

**WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 7, 2014**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the Washington County Commission was called to order by Chairman James J. Eardley at 4:00 p.m. on October 7, 2014, in the Commission Chambers, Washington County Administration Building, St. George, Utah. Those in attendance were Chairman James J. Eardley, Commissioner Victor Iverson, County Administrator Dean Cox, Deputy County Attorney Eric Clarke, and Deputy County Clerk Christine S. Hall.

Commissioner Gardner was excused from the meeting, as he was out of town on County business.

Commissioner Iverson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA:

The Consent Agenda is a means of expediting routine matters which come before the Commission for approval. The Consent Portion of the agenda is approved by one (1) non-debatable motion. If any Commissioner wishes to remove an item from the Consent Portion of the agenda, then that item becomes the first order of business on the Regular Agenda.

- Consideration of Auditor-Approved Claims for Payment for September 17, 2014, through October 7, 2014.
- Consideration of Regular Commission Meeting Minutes of August 19, 2014, September 2, 2014 and September 16, 2014
- Consideration of Administrative Adjustments: Real Property (attached)
- Consideration of Administrative Adjustments: Personal Property (attached)
- Consideration of Applications for Property Tax Abatement:
Ruth Bandle, A/N 0416969; Robert and Kathryn Brewster A/N 0654692; Bonnie and Reid Byington A/N 0059249; Tammy Farrimond A/N 0370182; Della Highly A/N 103898; Tim and Barbara King A/N 0754617; Willis Latoski A/N 0223514; Barbara Pepper A/N 6867348; Alicia Williams (2013) A/N 0484397; Alicia Williams (2014) A/N 0484397
- Consideration of Renewal of Memorandum of Agreement Between Washington County and Rural Public Lands County Council (RPLCC) / Robert K. Weidner for 2015

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Approve the Consent Agenda with the Exception of Applications for Property Tax Abatement A/N 0223514, A/N 103898, A/N 065469 and A/N 0416969, which are Disallowed. Motion seconded by Commissioner Eardley and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Eardley and Iverson voting aye.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

No presentations were made today.

PURCHASE REQUEST(S): MARK BLANCH

St. George Library (\$19,571.72)

Weed Department (\$12,615.70)

Washington County Purchasing Agent Mark Blanch sought approval for the purchase of the St. George Library's new carpet to replace carpet that was damaged in last month's flood. The Weed Department has also requested an assortment of sprays for weed control use throughout the County.

All purchases are budgeted, bonded, or paid for through grant funds.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Approve the Purchase Requests. Motion seconded by Commissioner Eardley and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Eardley and Iverson voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2014-1842, A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AND APPROVE THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NRCS MOTOQUA – 2012 EWP AGREEMENT TO RELIEVE HAZARDS AND DAMAGES CREATED BY THE FLOODS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY, UTAH.

Public Works Director Ron Whitehead stated that Public Works received bids for the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) Motoqua project and that Feller Enterprises, LLC, is currently working on this project. This resolution ratifies the contract retroactively. He mentioned that there has been flood damage to this area since 2005.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Adopt Resolution No. R-2014-1842, A Resolution To Adopt And Approve The Washington County NRCS Motoqua – 2012 EWP Agreement To Relieve Hazards And Damages Created By The Floods In Washington County, Utah. Motion seconded by Commissioner Eardley and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Eardley and Iverson voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2014-1843, A RESOLUTION OF APPOINTMENT OF A WASHINGTON COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE AND AN ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE UTAH COUNTIES INDEMNITY POOL ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING.

This resolution appoints James J. Eardley as the official Washington County representative for the Utah Counties Indemnity Pool (UCIP) Membership Meeting to be held on November 13, 2014, with Christine S. Hall as an alternate representative.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Adopt Resolution No. R-2014-1843, A Resolution of Appointment of James J. Eardley as Washington County Representative and Christine S. Hall as an Alternate Representative For The Utah Counties Indemnity Pool Annual Membership Meeting. Motion seconded by Commissioner Eardley and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Eardley and Iverson voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2014-1845, A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE RECERTIFICATION OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY JUSTICE COURT

Deputy County Attorney Eric Clarke stated that the County must recertify its Justice Court every four years through the Administrative Office of the Courts.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Adopt Resolution No. R-2014-1845, A Resolution Requesting The Recertification Of The Washington County Justice Court. Motion seconded by Commissioner Eardley and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Eardley and Iverson voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2014-1846, A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AND APPROVE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND IRON COUNTY REGARDING THE NRCS HOLT CANYON - 2012 EWP AGREEMENT TO RELIEVE HAZARDS AND DAMAGES CREATED BY THE FLOOD IN IRON COUNTY, UTAH, AND WASHINGTON COUNTY, UTAH

Public Works Director Ron Whitehead mentioned that this is an Interlocal Agreement signed by Iron and Washington Counties for a Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) project in Holt Canyon. The ultimate goal is to slow the water down as it flows out of Holt Canyon to prevent flooding on Highway 18.

MOTION: Motion by Commission Iverson to Adopt Resolution No. R-2014-1846, A Resolution To Adopt And Approve An Agreement Between Washington County And Iron County Regarding The NRCS Holt Canyon - 2012 EWP Agreement To Relieve Hazards And Damages Created By The Flood In Iron County, Utah, And Washington County, Utah. Motion seconded by Commissioner Eardley and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Eardley and Iverson voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2014-1847, A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AND APPROVE THE WASHINGTON COUNTY - NRCS HOLT CANYON - 2012 EWP AGREEMENT TO RELIEVE HAZARDS AND DAMAGES CREATED BY THE FLOOD IN IRON COUNTY, UTAH, AND WASHINGTON COUNTY, UTAH

Mr. Whitehead stated that resolution ratifies the contract with JP Construction, who was the low bidder with a bid of \$927,006, for the NRCS Holt Canyon project.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Adopt Resolution No. R-2014-1847, A Resolution To Adopt And Approve The Washington County - NRCS Holt Canyon - 2012 EWP Agreement To Relieve Hazards And Damages Created By The Flood In Iron County, Utah, And Washington County, Utah. Motion seconded by Commissioner Eardley and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Eardley and Iverson voting aye.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

No items were presented.

PUBLIC WORKS OR ROAD BUSINESS

Public Works Director Ron Whitehead reported on current road department projects:

The County Road department is still cleaning up and repairing roads that were damaged in the last floods. They are currently working on BLM and Forest Service Roads that were washed out in unincorporated areas of Washington County. Crews are continuing to clean out the drainage systems throughout the County as well.

Mr. Whitehead asked for Commission approval for a contract between Washington County and PCI for work done on Juniper Way in the Black Ridge area.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to approve the Juniper Way Contract as Stated. Motion seconded by Commissioner Eardley and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Eardley and Iverson voting aye.

COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING BUSINESS:

Washington County planner Scott Messell explained that the next Planning Commission Meeting will take place on October 14, 2014. They will be reviewing the Home Occupation Ordinance as well as Discussing Accessory buildings.

Request a Closed Session

None.

There being nothing further to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 4:24 p.m.

CHRISTINE S. HALL
DEPUTY CLERK

JAMES J. EARDLEY
CHAIRMAN